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SUBJECT: SH-11-X

TO : AG of S, G-2, U.S. Constabulary, APO 46, U.S. Army

1. Following information is submitted in accordance with verbal instructions your office (MAJOR PATRICK), dated 31 August 1950.

2. (a) Detailed background of source -

(1) Name and aliases: *MERK, Kurt*
alias PETERSEN
alias LARSEN
alias GREGOR
(2) Place and date of birth: *FLEINHAUSEN (1), LK AUGSBURG, GERMANY*, on *3 May 1915*.
(3) Physical characteristics: Not available at present.
(4) Addresses: Not available at present.
(5) Methods used by source in obtaining information:
Source is the manager of a net consisting of sub-sources located in EAST ZONE GERMANY. Coverage of this net includes the following:

SCHEVENIN (T-46)	FRENZLAU (Q-04)
STENDAL (Y-85)	ORANIENBURG (Z-67)
BERLIN (Z-75)	SPANDAU (Z-65)
RATHENOW (Z-15)	BRANDENBURG (Z-23)
POTS DAM (Z-63)	MAGDEBURG (Y-60)
LUCKENWALDE (Z-70)	HALLE (D-92)
LEIPZIG (E-21)	BORNA (K-39)
NORDHAUSEN (D-12)	WEIMAR (J-57)
COTTEBUS (A-57)	BAUTZEN (A-60)
DRESDEN (F-29)	CHEMNITZ (K-66)
WEISSWASSEN (A-74)	ALTENBURG (K-27)
ROSTOCK (O-81)	GOERLITZ (B-00)
JUETERBORG (E-69)	FRANKFURT AM ODER (V-63)
NIEDERSCHENEWEIDE (1)	

Source manages this net from both MUNICH (Y-85) and an established contact point in BERLIN. Previously this Section would receive information through DENTSCHIE POST. However, due to SOVIET apprehension of one (1) of the sub-sources within the past six (6) weeks this means of contact has given way to personal handling of all information via plane travel by SH-11-X.

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(6) Amounts paid source for information: Full time employment began in May 1949. Since this date variable amounts at irregular periods estimated to be DM 2800 and between \$20.00 - \$25.00 per month have been paid.

(7) Past history (given in source's own words):
"I was drafted into the Reichs Labor Service on 1 April 1937. I belonged to this organization until November 1937, when I was drafted into the GERMAN Army. My entry in the army was not voluntary. It was to serve for the two (2) years of compulsory army service.
After my induction I was assigned to the 10th Artillery Regiment, 10th Division, and served in REGENSBURG (U-15), GERMANY. I belonged to this regiment until June 1940, and during this time I participated in the following operations:

- (a) 1938 - Invasion of AUSTRIA and SUDETENLAND
- (b) 1939 - Invasion of CSR and POLAND
- (c) 1939 - Attended war school (Military School) in JUETERBOG (E-69), GERMANY.
- (d) 1940 - Invasion of FRANCE

My last duties with the 10th Artillery Regiment were Battery Officer and Battery Chief.

In June 1940, I was transferred to OKW (Supreme Army Command), Office of Foreign Defense. My transfer was effected because of my connections with a MAJOR EHINGER who was a member of the Military Security Office in DIJON, FRANCE. Maj EHINGER was an authority in forming the GERMAN Military Security and he was a close friend of Admiral CANARIS. After I was transferred to OKW I was assigned to the Military Defense Office in DIJON, specifically Branch III. Head of this Branch at that time was a Colonel SERVAS. My immediate chief at Branch III was Major EHINGER. In this assignment I received training in the following branches:

- Branch I - Positive Espionage (Secret Reporting)
- Branch II - Sabotage, harassing and forming of resistance groups.
- Branch III - Counter-espionage and security.

After the above training I was assigned to Branch III-f, which consisted of the following organization:

- Branch III-f - Lt. Colonel EHINGER (Chief)
- Branch f-1 - Major GLEICHAUF (Chief)
- (a) Area of operation: SWITZERLAND and ELSAS (?) - counter-espionage.

Branch f-2 - 1st Lieutenant MERK with four (4) co-workers

- (a) Area of operation: Unoccupied FRANCE, NORTH AFRICA, SPAIN and ENGLAND - counter-espionage.

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Branch f-3 - Major JETTNER with two (2) co-workers
(a) Responsibility: Military Security in occupied FRANCE.
Evaluation Branch - Major SCHOENIG with two (2) co-workers.
At the end of 1943, I was, as a specialist, sent on six (6)
weeks TDY to the Intelligence School in BRESLAU (C-41),
GERMANY.

In 1944, OKW planned to assign me to the GERMAN Consulate in
SWITZERLAND but these plans were abandoned because Branch III
of the OKW regarded my services in FRANCE more important.
I became chief of a unit which was responsible for the reporting
of front line situations. This unit was assigned to the
19th Army. I was under the direct jurisdiction of the Chief of
Staff of the 19th Army and I received my instructions from the
Branch I-e and I-c of that Army. My activities consisted of
obtaining troop information and military security service
within the army jurisdiction. These activities lasted until
the capitulation of the 19th Army on 5 May 1945 in TIROL (I).
I had by this time attained the rank of Captain. Following
the capitulation I became a PW in AMERICAN hands and was re-
leased in August 1945.

In January 1946, I was arrested by CIC SONTOFEN (C-92),
GERMANY, then sent to the Internment Camp in HEMMINGEN (X-83),
GERMANY. After ten (10) days in this camp I was assigned by
CIC, MUNICH, to set up a net in the SOVIET Zone to collect
information. My activities with CIC offices in MUNICH and
AUGSBURG from February 1946, until May 1949, may be substantiated
by those offices. From May 1949, to date I have worked
for 7827/20 MI in MUNICH. (NOTE: CIC AUGSBURG contacted this
date and claims to have a dossier on SH-11-X). USCON notified
of change on 12 Sep 50 by C.O.

(8) Prospective change in source's future: Employment with the
BONN Federal Government.

(b) Available information on current sub-sources -

Cover	Actual Name	Address	Occupation
SH-11-1-X "SCHUSTER"	Unknown at present	Unknown at present	Railway inspector
SH-11-2-X "BECKER"	Unknown at present	Unknown at present	Member of main administrative office, SOVIET AG in BERLIN
SH-11-3-X EDITH	KLEIFOLD, Ingeborg	Rauelbergerstr #5 RATHENOW (Z-16)	Photo Lab Technician

Remarks: SH-11-1-X has access to the railway dispatch office in STENDAL (Y-85).
Remarks: SH-11-2-X had contacts in the ZEISS Optical Works in JENA (j-66 and in the various departments of the main SAG administrative offices. He was arrested by the SOVIET ZONE Security Police in LIEBEROSE (A-49) on suspicion of espionage on 20 July 1950.
Remarks: SH-11-3-X is employed by a photo lab. in RATHENOW, which only works for SOVIET troops and is under SOVIET supervision.

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Cover	Actual Name	Address	Occupation
SH-11-3-X "ALRAUNE"	GELENER, Sigrid	Ebert Ring #43	Photo Lab Technician
		RATHENOW	
	Remarks: Sub-source ALRAUNE is a co-worker of EDITH. Both appear under the cover number of SH-11-3-X. Both work in the same photo lab. in RATHENOW.		
SH-11-4-X "TURK"	ROST, Helmut	WILTHEIN/Oberlausitz	Owner of a
		b. Bautzen (F-69).	Forestry School
		House #262.	in STOLPEN (F-49)
			and in WILTHEIN
	Remarks: SH-11-4-X has contacts with the KOENIGSBRUSSY (A-31) maneuver area.		
SH-11-5-X "FRED"	JUHK, Manfred	KRASCHWITZ-West	Machine Con-
		Oberlausitz (?)	struction
	Remarks: SH-11-5-X is employed in the NOCHTEN-BOXBERG (A-73) - WEISSWASSER (A-74) maneuver area.		Machinist
SH-11-6-X "OLAF"	BLANKENHORN, Hans	Unknown at present	Private busi-
			ness
	Remarks: SH-11-6-X is a former Major in the GERMAN Army. Has been instructed to set up a net in SAXONY.		
SH-11-7-X "CTEAR"	HORN, Otto	Unknown at present	Chief switch-
			man at the RR Station in BORNA (K-39).
	Remarks: SH-11-7-X is actually a sub-source of SH-11-6-X, above. His wife is a seamstress and works for SOVIET officers' wives in ALTENBURG (K-27).		
SH-11-8-X "ULIA"	MEUNAN, Mrs. (Sophie)	Unknown at present	Housewife
	Remarks: SH-11-8-X is a sister to the wife of SH-11-2-X, indicated on page-3 of this report. SH-11-8-X is the wife of Hans MEUNAN, who is a Chief Commissioner of the SOVIET ZONE Transport Police.		
SH-11-9-X "FELIX"	GRABE, Paul	Unknown at present	Chief inter-
			preter at the SAG Central
	Remarks: SH-11-9-X has been employed by the SOVIETS since 1946. His uncle is an interpreter for the SOVIET Navy in ROSTOCK (O-31).		Administration for the holding
SH-11-10-X "KLAUS"	WUSCH, Heinz	WEIMAR (J-57)	firm "KABEL".
	Remarks: SH-11-10-X was employed as an interpreter at the SOVIET KOMMANDANTURA in WEIMAR until the end of 1949. This position was terminated due to illness. He has contacts with interpreters who have come from the BALTIMORE area and POLAND and who are now employed in WEIMAR.		Export sales-
			man.

3. SH-11-X is not presently in the MUNICH area. A photograph of subject is not available.

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